

POOR FROM OUTSIDE.

Commissioner Hale Says That There Are 25 Families

DRAWING AID FROM THE COUNTY

Who Are Non-Residents—Generally Widows With Children and Must be Given Assistance Even Though They Don't Belong Here.

Poor Commissioner Hale says that Topeka's charity is being imposed upon by non-residents of the city, who find it convenient to claim a residence here during the winter months, and live off the county or receive help from the charities of the city.

It is estimated that at least 25 or 30 families have moved into the city since November. They say that they came here because they heard that the county was furnishing work for all of the unemployed, or if they could not get work, the county would take care of them.

They can secure houses in some of the additions to the city at almost free rent.

Poor Commissioner Hale says: "We are receiving more calls for assistance than ever and nearly the number of non-residents, or people who have recently moved here has steadily increased. There have been three appeals for aid in the last week from people who have just moved into the city and in three instances all of the applicants have been widows and each had five children dependent upon her for support."

"They are not impostors but are actually suffering for the necessities of life. We have more than we can do in taking care of our own poor, yet I don't see what we can do. We can't let these women starve, even if they don't belong here, and we have to give them what assistance is possible."

"Already so far this winter we have more wood cut up by those who are willing to work for provisions and clothing than we have ever had before in all winter and I presume that when the cold weather and snow comes our demands will be greatly in excess of our distributions. We shall protect our own poor best and in no way encourage the poor of Missouri or other parts of this state to take up their residence here."

THE WOOLEN MILL.

Mr. William Appleyard's Proposition to the People of Topeka.

Mr. William Appleyard, of Valparaiso, who is owner and president of a large woolen mill, manufacturing ladies' cloths, skirtings, paunders, blankets and such class of goods, employing 100 hands, is dispensing with a position obtained from Topeka to bring his 1,800 miles and locate in Topeka. He already purchased his wool and cloth in Kansas, Texas and California, and his manufactured goods are sold primarily to Chicago, St. Louis and western cities.

Mr. Appleyard has formulated a proposition that the citizens of Topeka will take \$20,000.00 of a total capital of \$15,000.00, he will remove his entire mill, machinery and plant to Topeka and that as soon as \$20,000.00 is secured, it will within ten days he will immediately commence the construction of his buildings here.

The building will be substantially constructed of brick. It stories, 100 feet front by 50 feet deep on one wing and 100 feet deep on the other.

Mr. Appleyard further says that he would desire and expect the mill to be governed and under the control of a board of directors satisfactory to the Topeka stockholders. Mr. Appleyard would of necessity be the general manager, as he is skilled in every department, from raw material to the output of the best fabrics.

KUYKENDALL SPOKE WELL.

At the Celebration of Emancipation Day in North Topeka.

The colored people of North Topeka celebrated the 100th anniversary of their emancipation New Year's day, at the colored Methodist church.

Deputy Sheriff A. Kuykendall was the speaker of the occasion, and said: "We are only partly free, but time has worked wonders, and in thirty years our advancement has been marvelous."

"Parents should love their children more, and do more for them in shaping their lives, so that they will be lucky men and women whom other races would be glad to recognize."

After this speech ten minute speeches were made, and a large number of colored men addressed the meeting.

AT THE THEATERS.

Hypothesis, Minstrels and Stuart Robson in "Comedy of Errors."

Dr. Flint, the mesmeric, performed to a good house at the Crawford last evening. His entertainments are laughable and never fail to delight the audiences. The per cent of the receipts this week goes to assist the poor of the city.

On Saturday evening, at the Grand, W. A. Mahara's colored minstrels play a one night's engagement.

On Monday evening, January 8, Student Hobson comes to the Grand and will play the "Comedy of Errors." Mr. Hobson has reorganized the play and has cut out a good deal of uninteresting matter, reducing the number of acts from four to three. Mr. Giles Shime is Hobson's double, and act the two Dromios, it is hard to distinguish one from the other.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAM.

There Will Be One at the Government Building.

A clerk and letter carriers civil service examination will be held at the government building on February 10th, and applications for such examination will be received up to the 21st of this month by the local civil service board.

The applicants for clerkships have to be at least eighteen years old and the letter carriers between the ages of 31 and 40.

The examination will be held probably two days, and applicants from all over the state will probably take the examination.

Life in Misery.

To many people who have the taints of scrofula in their blood. The agonies caused by the dreadful running sores and other manifestations of this disease are beyond description. There is no other remedy except Hood's Peruvian Balsam for scrofula, satrachum and every form of blood disease. It is reasonably sure to benefit all who give it a fair trial.

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills.

The Feats in Your Shirts. Sewed up Free at the Topeka Steam Laundry.

WYKES' BIG TREAT.

He Had to Put Up Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars for Fire Water.

A good story at the expense of William Wykes, the secretary of the state board of public works, is told on that official.

Years ago, when Kansas had more Indian residents than white settlers, Mr. Wykes was a contractor with Indians to build a fort in the western part of the state. Mr. Wykes' wife accompanied him on this particular mission. She was a pretty young lady, and her hair was golden in hue. One of the old bucks of the tribe surrounding the fort took a fancy to the wife of the contractor, and asked Wykes how much he would take for her.

"You will not buy her," replied Mr. Wykes. "I would take at least fifteen or twenty pounds to buy her."

Mr. Wykes gave the master no further thoughts, but when he made his next visit to the fort, he was reminded of it by the same old Indian, who drove up a herd of twenty ponies for the value of his wagon and demanded the "squaw" in exchange. Mr. Wykes was ruggedly courageous, but the old Indian was crafty, and he had all the warriors in the tribe back of him. Argument availed nothing.

Finally Wykes sought the old chief of the tribe who was an old friend of his. The chief told him he was afraid Mrs. Wykes would have to go. "Never! They will have to kill me first," insisted Wykes.

"That's what I am afraid of," replied the chief. The Indian chief and Wykes smoked their pipes in silence for a time, and then the chief suggested:

"There is only one way out of this. You get all the warriors drunk and then marry this buck to one of the squaws; then smother your wife away."

Wykes consented to this. It took a three days' feast to get them all drunk, and as Wykes was high in those days, it cost him \$250 for fire water.

P. L. SOPER LEAVES.

On His Way to Take His New Office in Indian Territory.

Ex-Assistant District Attorney P. L. Soper left today for St. Louis, where he will confer with the attorneys of the Frisco and relative to his work in the Indian Territory. Mr. Soper has the law business of the Frisco, Gaff, Colorado & Santa Fe, and ten miles of the Santa Fe to look after in the Territory, and will make his headquarters at Muskogee.

He intends settling there permanently and Mrs. Soper will go there in a few months.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

The Populist league rooms are open every evening.

The street sweeper visited North Topeka last night.

Albert Hopkins says Dave Naylor is not a tax-payer citizen.

Frank McMillan is president of the local civil service board.

The World's Fair report is now in the hands of the state printer.

There is a kindergarten department in the Rosselle public schools.

Bank Commissioner Bencoffenthal is in Fredericksburg on a business trip.

Washburn college opened this morning with an increased attendance.

Miss Kate Adams is employed in the office of Receiver Wilson of the Santa Fe.

Justice A. E. Cheaney is talked of as a likely candidate for clerk of the district court.

ASSOCIATED CHARITIES.

First Meeting of the Executive Committee This Afternoon.

The executive committee of the Associated Charities met at Mayor Morrison's office this afternoon, to form a permanent organization and to elect officers.

The executive committee consists of fifteen ex-officio, ten active members, and the pastors of the city churches. Every church in the city is entitled to a vice-president.

A permanent president, two vice presidents, a secretary and treasurer will be elected.

The committee of managers consists of Mayor T. W. Harrison, J. R. Mulvane, Edward Wilder, T. F. Bowman, S. E. Sheldon, J. H. Sweet, H. R. Hillon, P. G. Noel, Dr. F. C. Menninger, J. W. Gleadle and E. J. Dales.

HAD TO GIVE IT UP.

The Bernsteins Do Not Get That \$8,000 Farm

FROM CRAZY FARMER LETANDER.

Judge Hazen Knocks Them Out on a Smooth Deal Made Some Time Ago.

Judge Hazen has decided the celebrated Letander (or Letendre) Bernstein case and the Bernsteins not only lose the case, but must give up a farm worth about \$8,000.

Readers of the STATE JOURNAL will remember that Joseph Letander, a well-known farmer of Silver Lake township, lost his mind about two years ago and was influenced to deed his farm to Miss Sarah Bernstein of North Topeka.

Letander's wife died in June, 1890, and he soon thereafter became demented, and imagined he saw his wife's spirit on the farm. He left the farm, came to North Topeka, and about the 9th of December commenced boarding in the family of Mrs. Bernstein. On the 9th of December he deeded this farm to Miss Sarah Bernstein, the daughter of his landlady, and according to the agreement made he was to receive the Bernstein stock of groceries and boots and shoes. On the 11th of December, Letander was declared insane in the probate court, and Frank Fleming was appointed his guardian.

Fleming and Letander's guardian went immediately to the store in North Topeka which was supposed to have been transferred to Letander, but he found the Bernsteins in full possession. They explained that it was part of the bargain that they were to run the store for the old man just as they had been running it for themselves.

Fleming made the Bernstein's a formal tender of the stock and demanded of them that the farm be reconveyed to him as guardian, but his proposition was refused.

On the 19th of January the stock of merchandise was stored by the Bernsteins as their property in the rooms of the Frisco and relative to his work in the Indian Territory. Mr. Soper has the law business of the Frisco, Gaff, Colorado & Santa Fe, and ten miles of the Santa Fe to look after in the Territory, and will make his headquarters at Muskogee.

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka People and Visitors in Town.

Fred Kingsley returned to Kansas City today.

A. A. Robinson and family, went to Chicago yesterday.

J. S. Collins left today for Ft. Worth, Tex.

Miss Guthrie returned to Atchison yesterday.

Miss F. M. Brigham went to Chicago today.

Miss Willa Rodgers will give a tea tonight for Miss Nellie Kitts of Ottawa.

Miss Frances Kellogg, who has been the guest of Miss Blanch Dienst, returned to Lawrence today.

Miss Ethel Wood has returned from Waukesha.

Paul Torrington returned yesterday from Neosho Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Going spent a few days in Kansas City last week, and heard Patti.

Miss Neubert of Kansas City, and Miss Oglethorpe of Olathe, who were the guests of Miss Besse Gibson, returned home today.

Mrs. E. S. Quinton gave an afternoon high-five party yesterday, for Miss Grace Smiley of Bethany.

Miss Haines, the guest of the Misses Moon, will return to Sabrina Saturday.

Lindsay Pegues of Louisiana, is in the city.

Miss Blanch Hanna gave a party Tuesday evening at her home on Prospect street.

Mrs. W. A. Snyder and son Pearl spent Monday in Hoyt.

Miss Blanch Dienst entertained a few girl friends informally yesterday afternoon for Miss Kellogg of Lawrence.

J. D. Mason has gone to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hudson celebrated their thirtieth wedding last evening by entertaining about forty friends at cards.

Tessie Curry of Carbondale is visiting the city.

The Pusy Club had 150 callers New Year's afternoon.

Miss Clemma Linn gave a 2 o'clock luncheon this afternoon for Miss Wheeler of Atchison.

Miss Susie Wilder has returned from Kansas City.

Mr. J. L. Moss of St. Marys is visiting Miss Besse Zimmerman.

Mrs. F. Sutherland and daughter Mary spent Monday in Carbondale.

Mr. C. R. Hudson and Mrs. A. H. Connelly have issued invitations for a card party Thursday afternoon.

Miss Edith Brewer has returned from a visit in Kansas City.

Miss Birdie Grifill has returned from Burlington.

Mrs. Florence Fox Thacher went to her home in St. Paul, Minn., yesterday.

Mrs. John Cochran of Colorado Springs and Mrs. L. S. Sears of Pueblo, who have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Phillips, went home yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Tracy celebrated their silver wedding Monday evening at their home near Monroe.

H. C. Goodrich of Kansas City was in town yesterday.

Miss Gertrude Atchison of Leavenworth is visiting Mrs. Arthur Mill this week.

Misses Maggie and Mary Powell, who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. D. F. Mallory, 1322 Van Buren, returned to Peabody yesterday.

Miss Adeline Brewer is visiting in Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bird entertained a few friends Monday evening.

Miss Jennie and Cordelia Price returned yesterday from a visit in Hutchinson.

Mrs. Rena Malan, who has been the guest of Mrs. John Ripley, returned to Kansas City Monday.

Miss Elsie Valentine is visiting in Clay Center.

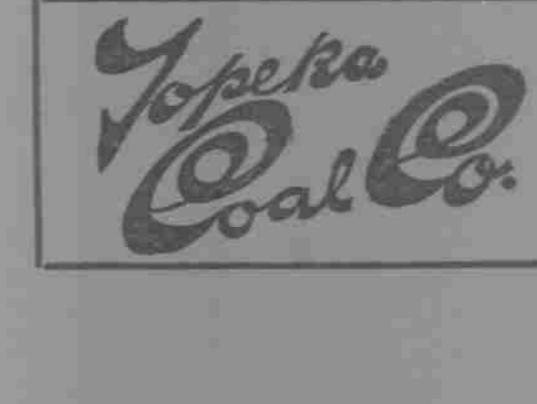
Fred H. Glick, private secretary to Pension Agent Glick, and Mrs. Glick, have secured rooms at 610 Tyler street, where they will reside.

Mrs. J. C. Gordon and Mrs. Harry Overholz gave a dinner party Monday for Mrs. Chas Spencer, who will leave soon for Lake Charles, La.

Lawrence Chamberlain has returned to the university.

The "Douce" whist club entertained

BEST LUMP COAL \$3.75 PER TON,



6th and Kas. Ave.

1st and Jackson Sts.

their friends last evening at the home of Miss Henrietta Thompson. Miss Edna Best and Mr. Ed McBride were winners of high-five, and the rest of the company included Misses Francie Little